Status of Paradeep Phosphate Limited

1113. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the financial and business standing of Paradeep Phosphate Limited after the withdrawal of Nauru Government from the Joint Venture;

(b) the details of the production capacity that has been achieved;

(c) the steps being taken to get the company out of red and to meet the situation of Rs. 165 crores accumulated losses;

(d) the steps being taken to offset these losses;

(e) whether the proposal of diversifying into urea to make it a profitable unit is under Government's consideration; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) On the termination of the Participation Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Nauru and the Government of India on 10.6.1993, Paradeep Phosphates Ltd. (PPL) has become a wholly owned Govt. of India enterprise.

The financial and production performance of PPL from 1993-94 onwards is given below:—

Year	Net Profit (+)/Loss (−)	Capacityutilisationoffinished fertilisers
1993-94	(+)47.36	53%
1994-95	(+)27.77	97.8%
1995-96	(+)2.24	84.9%
1996-97	(−)60.63	65.4%

(c) and (d) The management of PPL has adopted the following strategy to improve the company's performance during 1997-98:—

(i) Increase the capacity utilisation of Phase I and Phase II Plants to 104% and 40% respectively; and

(ii) increase the sales turnover from Rs. 967 crore to Rs. 1200 crore.

It has also been decided to allow deferment of the repayment of Plan loan and payment of interest due during 1997-98 by one year in order to improve the liquidity of the company.

(e) and (f) PPL has explored some options for setting up ammonia-urea plants. No final view has, however, been taken by the Board of Directors of PPL in this regard.

Medicines Under Price control

1114. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of diseases and related medicines which are under price control with trade marks;

(b) the names of the diseases and the related formulations of medicines not under price control with trade marks; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to bring more and more formulations within the purview of price control?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) List of 74 bulk drugs as specified in the amended First Schedule of DPCO'95 may be seen in the Statement (*See* below). All these bulk drugs and formulations based thereon are under price control. These drugs and their formulations, including combination formulations, are used in the treatment of a variety of diseases/ailments and have several applications. Price control has no linkage with the disease/ailment. Price control is based on criteria laid down in the 'Modifications in Drug Policy, 1986' announced in September, 1994.

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(*See* paragraphs 2 and 3)

BULK DRUGS

1. SULPHAMETHOXAZOLE
2. PENICILLINS
3. TETRACYCLINE
4. RIFAMPICIN
5. STREPTOMYCIN
6. RANITIDINE
7. VITAMIN C
8. BETAMETHASONE
9. METRONIDAZOLE
10. CHLOROQUINE
11. INSULLIN
12. ERYTHROMYCIN
13. VITAMIN A
14. OXYTETRACYCLINE
15. PREDNISOLONE
16. CEPHAZOLIN
17. METHYLDOPA
18. ASPIRIN
19. TRIMETHOPRIM
20. CLOXACILLIN
21. SULPHADIMIDINE
22. SALBUTAMOL
23. FAMOTIDINE
24. IBUPROFEN
25. METAMIZOL (ANALGIN)
26. DOXYCYCLINE
27. CIPROFLOXACIN
28. CEFOTAXIME
29. DEXAMETHASONE
30. EPHEDRINE
31. VITAMIN B1 (THIAMINE)
32. CARBAMAZEPINE
33. VITAMIN B2 (RIBOFLAVIN)
34. THEOPHYLLINE
35. LEVODOPA
36. TOLNAFTATE
37. VITAMIN E
38. NALIDIXIC ACID
39. GRISEOFULVIN
40. GENTAMICIN
41. DEXTROPROPOXYPHENE
42. HALOGENATED HYDROXY-QUINOLINE
43. PENTAZOCINE
44. CAPTOPRIL
45. NAPROXEN
46. PYRENTAL
47. SULPHADOXINE
48. NORFLOXACIN
49. CEFADROXYL
50. PANTHONATES & PANTHENOLS
51. FURAZOLIDONE
52. PYRITHIOXINE
53. SULPHADIAZINE
54. FRAMYCETIN
55. VERAPAMIL
56. GLIPIZIDE
57. SPIRONOLACTONE
58. PENTOXYFYLLINE
59. AMODIAQUIN
60. SULPHAMOXOLE
61. FRUSEMIDE
62. PHENIRAMINE MALEATE
63. CHLOROXYLENOLS
64. BECAMPICILLIN
65. LINCOMYCIN
66. CHLORPROPAMIDE
67. MEBHYDROLINE
68. CHLORPROMAZINE
69. METHENDIENONE
70. PHENYL BUTAZONE
71. LYNESTRANOL
72. SALAZOSULPHAPYRINE
73. DIOSMINE
74. TRIMIPRAMINE

Intra-Venous Fluids

1115. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a high margin of more than 100 per cent is being charged by the stockists on intravenous fluids;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of Government to put intra-venous fluids under price control; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) As per the provisions of DPCO, 1995 intravenous fluids are not covered under price